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1. IN UNUSUAL SHOW OF UNANIMITY, CANADIAN HOUSE OF COMMONS, NOVEMBER 12, ENDORSED A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING GOC "UNQUALIFIED CONDEMNATION" OF UN ZIONISM RESOLUTION. RESOLUTION PROPOSED BY PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE MP DIEFENBAKER. BOTH PM TRUDEAU AND MINEXTAFF MACEACHEN WERE PRESENT AND GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR THE RESOLUTION INDICATED BY ABSENCE OF ANY DISSENT. TEXT OF RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS:

2. QUOTE: THAT THE GANGING UP OF THE UN MEMBER COUNTRIES FROM AFRICA IN PARTICULAR AND IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD TO BRING ABOUT THE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS IN THE UNITED NATIONS WHICH ARE CONTRARY TO THE PRINCIPLES INHERENT IN THE CHARTER AND WHICH ARE UNJUST TO THE NATIONS AGAINST WHOM THEY ARE DIRECTED IS DANGEROUS TO THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE, EVEN SURVIVAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

3. "AND FURTHER, THAT IN THE OPINION OF THIS HOUSE THE INIQUITOUS RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE UNITED NATIONS
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ASSEMBLY LAST WEEK, AND AGAINST WHICH CANADA CAST ITS

VOTE, WHICH DENOUNCED THE STATES OF ISRAEL AS A RACIST NATION IS IN THE OPINION OF THIS HOUSE UNMERITED, UNTRUE AND DESERVING OF THE UNQUALIFIED CONEMNATION BY THIS HOUSE AND BY ALL PEOPLES WHO BELIEVE IN FREEDOM AND WORLD PEACE. END QUOTE.

4. IN REPLY TO QUESTION AT SAME COMMONS SESSION, MINEXTAFF MACEACHEN NOTED THAT GOC HAD VOTED AGAINST RESOLUTIONS RE GHANA CONFERENCE ON RACISM AND DECADE RACISM SINCE BOTH "TAINTED" BY ZIONISM RESOLUTION. HE ADDED THAT "IF ZIONISM IS TO BE AN OBJECT OF UN ACTIVITIES RELATING TO RACISM, IT WILL CLEARLY AND MANIFESTLY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR CANADA TO PLAY ITS PROPER ROLE IN SUCH ACTIVITIES."

5. LIBERAL BACK-BENCHER WENT STEP FURTHER ASKING MACEACHEN WHETHER GOC INTENDS WITHDRAW FROM UN. MACEACHEN RESPONDED AT SOME LENGTH RECITING UNFORTUNATE EFFECTS OF ZIONISM RESOLUTION BUT INDICATED GOC DOES NOT INTEND TO WITHDRAW SINCE IN THIS "IMPERFECT WORLD" THE UN SEEMS TO BE THE BEST SUCH FORUM THERE IS.
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